UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF OHIO WESTERN DIVISION AT DAYTON

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, :

Plaintiff, : Case No. 3:17-cr-59

Civil Case No. 3:23-cv-310

V.

Judge Thomas M. Rose

MYRON D. BAKER,

: Magistrate Judge Michael R. Merz

Defendant.

:

ENTRY AND ORDER ADOPTING IN FULL, REPORT AND RECOMMENDATIONS (DOC. NO. 222) AND THE SUPPLEMENTAL REPORT AND RECOMMENDATIONS (DOC. NO. 243); OVERRULING OBJECTIONS TO MAGISTRATE JUDGE'S REPORT AND RECOMMENDATION (DOC. NO. 241); AND, DISMISSING WITH PREJUDICE DEFENDANT'S MOTION TO VACATE UNDER 28 U.S.C. § 2255 (DOC. NO. 185)

This case is before the Court on Defendant Myron D. Baker's ("Baker") Motion to Vacate under 28 U.S.C. § 2255 (the "Motion") (Doc. No. 185). The Court has reviewed the Report and Recommendations (the "Report") (Doc. No. 222) as well as the supplemental Report and Recommendations (the "Supplemental Report") (Doc. No. 243), issued by United States Magistrate Judge Michael R. Merz, to whom this case was referred pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 636(b). Baker filed his Objections to Magistrate Judge's Report and Recommendation ("Objections") (Doc. No. 241) on October 4, 2024. Following the Court's Recommittal Order (Doc. No. 242), Magistrate Judge Merz issued his Supplemental Report on October 10, 2024, addressing Baker's Objections. (Doc. No. 243.) Baker has not filed any objection to the Supplemental Report and the time for filing such objections under Fed. R. Civ. P. 72(b) has passed. Thus, Baker's Motion is now ripe for review and decision.

If a party objects within the allotted time to a United States magistrate judge's report and

recommendation, then the Court "shall make a de novo determination of those portions of the

report or specified proposed findings or recommendations to which objection is made." 28 U.S.C.

§ 636(b)(1); see also Fed. R. Civ. P. 72(b). Upon review, the Court "may accept, reject, or modify,

in whole or in part, the findings or recommendations made by the magistrate judge." Id. The

Court "may also receive further evidence or recommit the matter to the magistrate judge with

instructions." Id.

The Court has made a *de novo* review of the entire record in this case, including "those

portions of the report or specified proposed findings or recommendations to which objection is

28 U.S.C. § 636(b)(1). This includes the Courts consideration of the Report, Baker's

Objections, and the Supplemental Report. Upon said review, the Court finds Baker's Objections

to Magistrate Judge's Report and Recommendation (Doc. No. 241) are not well-taken and the

Objections are hereby **OVERRULED**. The Court then ADOPTS the Report and

Recommendations (Doc. No. 222), as well as the supplemental Report and Recommendations

(Doc. No. 243), in their entirety.

Accordingly, it is hereby **ORDERED** that Defendant's Motion to Vacate under 28 U.S.C.

§ 2255 (Doc. No. 185) be **DISMISSED WITH PREJUDICE**. Baker is **DENIED** any requested

certificate of appealability and the Court hereby CERTIFIES to the United States Court of

Appeals that an appeal would be objectively frivolous and Baker should not be permitted to

proceed in forma pauperis.

DONE and **ORDERED** in Dayton, Ohio, this Monday, November 4, 2024.

s/Thomas M. Rose

THOMAS M. ROSE

UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE

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